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## **Media Advisory**

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### **City Breaks Ground for a New Fire Station In North Main Neighborhood**

Greenville, SC... Construction is about to begin on the North Main Fire Station and the City is hosting a ground breaking to celebrate. The facility will be located at the corner of Rutherford Road and North Main Street and will provide primary response service to the north section of the city, including the North Main Neighborhood.

Presently, the area is serviced by the Stone Avenue Fire Station. However, the increase in the population density in the area and the prediction of continued growth prompted the need for the new station on Rutherford Road. According to Fire Chief Tommy McDowell, "this location will facilitate a faster response time for the surrounding neighborhoods without the need to hire additional city firefighters or purchase new equipment."

The North Main Fire Station will be the sixth active station in the city and will be manned by an existing engine company that is currently housed at the Stone Avenue Station. The engine company consists of a four-person crew with a pumper truck. When the station is completed, there will be an engine company on duty "24/7". However the station is designed to accommodate up to ten firefighters if the need arises.

The new station is approximately 12,000 square feet and comes with a price tag of \$1.4 million. The project is being funded through the City's Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget.

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